***Statement***

*Details of Memorandum of Understanding concluded between the Archaeological Survey of India, the National Culture Fund and the participants regarding conservations of monuments.*

| Sl. No. | Particulars of Participants | Monuments |
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| 1. | Pune Municipal Corporation, Pune | Shaniwarwada, Pune (Maharashtra) |
| 2. | Indian Oil Corporation (IOF) | Qutab Minar, New Delhi<br>Hampi (Karnataka)<br>Sun Temple, Konarak (Orissa)<br>Kanheri Caves (Maharashtra)<br>Khajuraho Group of Monuments (Madhya Pradesh)<br>Warrangal Fort, Warrangal (Andhra Pradesh) has also been considered in the list of IOF for conservation and developmental activities. |
| 3. | Appeejay Surendra Hotels | Jantar Mantar, Delhi |
| 4. | Aga Khan Foundation and Oberoi Group of Hotels | Humayun's Tomb, Delhi |
| 5. | Indian Hotels Company Ltd. (Tata Group) | Taj Mahal, Agra. (U.P.) |

**Munshi Premchand Memorial Research and Study Centre**

446. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to set up a Munshi Premchand Memorial Research and Study Centre at his native village in U.P.;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the estimated cost thereof;

(c) whether such memorials are proposed to be set up for the other great poets and authors of Hindi and regional languages;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) to (e) To celebrate 125th Birth Anniversary of Munshi Premchand a Committee has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Minister of Culture. The Committee has taken a decision for establishment of Premchand Memorial Research and Study Centre at Lamhi, native village of Munshi Premchand in Uttar Pradesh. No firm estimates have yet been prepared. Regarding other great poets and authors, the matter will be considered on case-to-case basis when the occasions arise.

**Documentation of unprotected manuscripts of Karnataka**

447. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Karnataka has requested for financial assistance for documentation of unprotected manuscripts scattered all over the State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Tomb of Bahadur Shah Zafar**

448. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have approached the Government of Myanmar to bring the tomb of the last emperor of India Bahadur Shah Zafar to the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and by when it is expected to be brought to Delhi; and

(c) the location selected to set up the tomb of that emperor?